AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A dental material comprising at least one cationically polymerizable monomer as a binder, a polymerization initiator, and based on the dental material, 1-95 wt% of at least one inorganic filler, said binder containing at least one monomer of formula (I):

$$X - \left[Y - \left(O^{R}\right)_{n}\right]_{m} \tag{I},$$

wherein R represents hydrogen, a methyl or ethyl group; X and Y independently represent an unsubstituted or substituted aliphatic, cycloaliphatic, or aromatic residue with 1-100 carbon atoms, wherein one or more CH₂ groups can be replaced by O, C=O, -CO₂, -SiR¹₂-, and/or -SiR¹₂O-, wherein R¹ independently represents an alkyl or alkoxy or aryl residue with 1-10 C atoms; n represents a whole number of 1-3; and m represents a whole number of 2-5.

2. (Original) The dental material according to Claim 1, wherein the residue X is one or more of the following groups:

wherein R¹ independently represents an alkyl or alkoxy residue with 1-6 C atoms; j and k independently represent whole numbers in the range of 1-10.

3. (Previously Amended) The dental material according to Claim 1, wherein the residue Y has one or more of the following groups:

$$CH_2$$
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2

wherein R represents hydrogen or methyl; and n represents a whole number in the range of 1-10.

4. (Previously Amended) The dental material according to Claim 2, wherein the residue Y has one or more of the following groups:

$$CH_2$$
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2

wherein R represents hydrogen or methyl; and n represents a whole number in the range of 1-10.

5. (Previously Amended) A dental material comprising at least one cationically polymerizable monomer as a binder, a polymerization initiator, and based on the dental material, 1-95 wt% of at least one inorganic filler, said binder containing at least one monomer of formula (I):

$$X - Y - (O^R)_n$$
_m (I),

wherein R represents hydrogen, a methyl or ethyl group; X and Y independently represent an unsubstituted or substituted aliphatic, cycloaliphatic, or aromatic residue with 1-100 carbon atoms, wherein one or more CH₂ groups can be replaced by O, C=O, -CO₂, -SiR¹₂-, and/or -SiR¹₂O-, wherein R¹ independently represents an alkyl or alkoxy or aryl residue with 1-10 C atoms; n represents a whole number of 1-3; and m represents a whole number of 2-5; and wherein the monomers of formula (I) have a molecular weight in the range of 300-3000.

6. (Previously Amended) A dental material comprising at least one cationically polymerizable monomer as a binder, a polymerization initiator, and based on the dental material, 1-95 wt% of at least one inorganic filler, said binder containing at least one monomer of formula (I):

$$X - \left[Y - \left(O^{R}\right)_{n}\right]_{m} \tag{I},$$

wherein R represents hydrogen, a methyl or ethyl group; X and Y independently represent an unsubstituted or substituted aliphatic, cycloaliphatic, or aromatic residue with 1-100 carbon atoms, wherein one or more CH₂ groups can be replaced by O, C=O, -CO₂, -SiR¹₂-, and/or -SiR¹₂O-, wherein R¹ independently represents an alkyl or alkoxy or aryl residue with 1-10 C atoms; n represents a whole number of 1-3; and m represents a whole number of 2-5; and wherein the binder has a viscosity in the range of 1 mPa·s to 1000 mPa·s.

- 7. (Original) The dental material according to claim 1, wherein the binder also has monofunctional vinyl ethers.
- 8. (Original) The dental material according to claim 1, wherein the polymerization initiator contains an iodonium salt and a sensitizer.
- 9. (Original) The dental material according to claim 1, wherein the polymerization initiator can be initiated by irradiation with visible light.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The dental material according to claim 1, wherein the filler is a member selected <u>from the group consisting of quartz</u>, ground glass, silica gel, from the group consisting of silica, a zeolite, an ormocer, and mixtures of these substances.
- 11. (Original) The dental material according to Claim 10, wherein the filler is treated with an adhesive.
- 12. (Original) The dental material according to claim 1, wherein the filler content is in the range of 50-90 wt% based on the total weight.

13. (Original) The dental material according to claim 1, wherein the filler content is in the range of 65-90 wt% based on the total weight.

14. (Previously Amended) A dental material comprising at least one cationically polymerizable monomer as a binder, a polymerization initiator, and based on the dental material, 1-95 wt% of at least one inorganic filler, said binder containing at least one monomer of formula (I):

$$X - [Y - (O^{R})_{n}]_{m}$$
 (I),

wherein R represents hydrogen, a methyl or ethyl group; X and Y independently represent an unsubstituted or substituted aliphatic, cycloaliphatic, or aromatic residue with 1-100 carbon atoms, wherein one or more CH₂ groups can be replaced by O, C=O, -CO₂, -SiR¹₂-, and/or -SiR¹₂O-, wherein R¹ independently represents an alkyl or alkoxy or aryl residue with 1-10 C atoms; n represents a whole number of 1-3; and m represents a whole number of 2-5; and

wherein the flexural strength of the dental material is $\geq 30 \text{ N/mm}^2$ in accordance with DIN 53 452, and/or the modulus of elasticity of the dental material is $\geq 500 \text{ N/mm}^2$ in accordance with DIN 53 457.

15. (Original) The dental material according claim 1, consisting of the following:

4.98-95 wt%	Binder;
0.02-10 wt%	Polymerization initiator;
1-95 wt%	Filler; and
0-20 wt%	Usual additives, based on the total weight of the dental material.

16. (Original) A method for the production of a dental material according to Claim 1, comprising mixing components together.

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17. (Previously Added) The dental material of claim 16, wherein the flexural strength of the dental material is $\geq 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$ in accordance with DIN 53 452, and/or the modulus of elasticity of the dental material is $\geq 100 \text{ N/mm}^2$ in accordance with DIN 53 457.

18. (Previously Added) The dental material of claim 1, wherein the filler has a particle size of $0.02\text{-}100~\mu m$.

19. (Previously Added) The dental material of claim 1, wherein the filler has a particle size of $0.1\text{--}5~\mu m$.

20. (Previously Added) The dental material of claim 1, wherein the binder has a viscosity in the range of 1 mPa·s to 6 Pa·s.